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SUBJECT: CSCE: TIMING OF CONFERENCE PHASES

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3. SINCE THE GOVERNMENTS INVOLVED ARE CLOSELY FOLLOWING THE MPT, SPRINGSTEEN FORESAW AD REFERENDUM APPROVAL COMING QUICKLY AFTER THE MPT, AND SAW NO NEED FOR LONG DELAYS BETWEEN THE END OF MPT AND THE START OF CSCE.

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